

Committee on International Relations

REMARKS OF HONORABLE LEE H. HAMILTON
Chairman, Special Subcommittee on Investigations
Tuesday, May 13, 1975

The meeting will come to order.

The Special Subcommittee on Investigations is meeting informally today to receive a briefing from the CIA on Soviet activities in the Indian Ocean.

It is expected that Congress will soon receive a Presidential certification that expansion of naval facilities on the island of Diego Garcia is in our national interest.

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In order to bring ourselves up to date, I have asked the CIA to brief members of the Subcommittee. Over a year ago the Near East and South Asia Subcommittee received a similar briefing. We are happy to have with us today [redacted] Chief, USSR-Eastern European Division, Office of Current Intelligence; and [redacted] Chief, Naval Operations Branch, Office of Strategic Research.

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I would like to remind all Members present that some very sensitive information will be presented to the Subcommittee. The last time the Subcommittee received a briefing by the CIA an article appeared in the Los Angeles Times the next day summarizing the briefing held behind closed doors.

I plead with Members and staff to treat this meeting confidentially. At stake is our Committee's continued access to important information and therefore our Committee's continued ability to carry out its responsibilities in the field of foreign policy.

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✓ Cooperation with the CIA must be a two-way street. The Agency
has been more forthcoming with this Committee this year and the Agency
has a right to expect that we can be trusted with very sensitive material.
There are ground rules for our meetings and I hope all present can honor
the commitment to keep the contents of this session confidential. If we
do not, it is our loss.

you may proceed.

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